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FIRST WEEK ACTIONS

1. THE WORK OF THE NGO COMMITTEE IS PROCEEDING AT A
CONVENIENTLY SLOW PACE DUE IN THE FIRST INSTANCE TO
SOVIET REQUEST AT THE OPENING MEETING FOR A DAY AND A
HALF DELAY IN ORDER, ALLEGEDLY, TO STUDY DOCUMENTS, AND

IN THE SECOND INSTANCE TO TWO FULL FLEDGED BLIZZARDS
WHICH CAUSED CANCELLATION OF MEETINGS.

2. AT THE OPENING MEETING THE COMMITTEE ADOPTED ITS
AGENDA ACCORDING TO WHICH APPLICATIONS FOR CONSULTATIVE
AND FOR RECLASSIFICATION WOULD BE CONSIDERED AS THE FIRST
ITEM ON THE AGENDA FOLLOWED BY THE REVIEW OF ALL OR-
GANIZATIONS IN CATEGORIES I AND II.

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3. THE COMMITTEE HAS NOT YET COMPLETED CONSIDERATION
OF ALL OF THE ORGANIZATIONS REQUESTING CONSULTATIVE
STATUS AND RECLASSIFICATION. A CONSENSUS HAS BEEN REACHED
ON 13 OF THE ORGANIZATIONS AND THE REMAINING SIX HAVE
BEEN TEMPORILY DEFERRED PENDING FURTHER CONSULTATIONS.
THESE ORGANIZATIONS WILL PROBABLY BE DISCUSSED IN THE
MEETING ON MONDAY, JAN 23. MOST OF THOSE DEFERRED WERE

THE TARGET OF SOVIET OBJECTIONS; THE SOVIETS ARE CONTINUING THEIR BATTLE TO PREVENT AS MANY ORGANIZATIONS AS POSSIBLE FROM OBTAINING CONSULTATIVE STATUS. ONE ASSOCIATION, THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GERONTOLOGY, IS BEING OPPOSED BY IRAQ PRIMARILY BECAUSE ITS HQ ARE IN ISRAEL.

4. THE USSR, CUBA AND OTHERS IN THE EASTERN BLOC HAVE CLOSELY QUESTIONED ALL ORGANIZATIONS ABOUT AFFILIATES IN SOUTH AFRICA AND ATTEMPTED TO DISQUALIFY SOME ORGANIZATIONS ON THE BASIS OF SOUTH AFRICAN CONNECTIONS.

5. THE COMMITTEE HAS AGREED ON THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS TO DATE.

COUNCIL OF EUROPEAN AND JAPANESE NATIONAL SHIP-OWNERS ASSOCIATIONS-RECLASSIFIED FROM ROSTER TO CATEGORY II
EXPERIMENT IN INTERNATIONAL LIVING-RECLASSIFIED

FROM ROSTER TO CATEGORY II
INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GERONTOLOGY--REQUESTING RECLASSIFICATION FROM ROSTER TO CATEGORY II --NO DECISION
INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL

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WOMEN--REQUESTING RECLASSIFICATION FROM CATEGORY II O
CATEGORY I--NO DECISION
INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION ON AGING--CATEGORY II APPROVED
MINORITY RIGHTS GROUP-REQUESTING RECLASSIFICATION FROM ROSTER TO CATEGORY II--NO DECISION
WORLD WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION--REQUESTING RECLASSIFICATION FROM CATEGORY II TO CATEGORY I - DIS-

APPROVED
THE FOLLOWING NEW APPLICATIONS WERE APPROVED FROM THE

STATUS INDICATED:
ALTRUSA INTERNATIONAL INC.--ROSTER

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES-US
CATHOLIC CONFERENCE INC.--CATEGORY II
DEMOCRAT YOUTH COMMUNITY OF EUROPE--CATEGORY II
FEDERATION OF EUROPEAN MANUFACTURERS OF FRICTION MATERIALS--ROSTER

HUMAN RIGHTS INTERNATIONAL--APPLICATION DISAPPROVED

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE DEFENSE OF
RELIGIOUS LIBERTY--NO DECISION
INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF AIRPORT AND SEAPORT
POLICE--ROSTER
INTERNATIONAL CONFEDERATION FOR DIS-
ARMAMENT AND PEACE--NO DECISION
INTERNATIONAL IRON AND STEEL INSTITUTE--NO DECISION
INTERNATIONAL PRESS INSTITUTE--ROSTER
INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE FOR IMMIGRATION
AND EMIGRATION POLITICS--ROSTER
INTERNATIONAL UNION OF LATIN NOTARIAT--CATEGORY II

6. THE COMMITTEE BEGAN THE REVIEW PROCESS IN A TRIVAE
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MEETINGTHURSDAY MORNING AND CONTINUED IN A PUBLIC
SESSIONTHURSDAY AFTERNOON. THE FRIDAY MEETING WAS
HELD WIH A QUORUM PRESENT BUT WAS INCONCLUSIVE AND

UNPRODUCIVE IN VIEW OF HE ABSENCE OF THE TWO ARAB
DELEGATIONS, IRAQ AND TUNISIA.

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7. AT THE MEETINGS ON THURSDAY THE COMMITTEE CONSIDERED ALL ORGANIZATIONS IN CATEGORY I (LISTED IN DOCUMENT E/C.2/CRP.2 POUCHED TO IO/IEP, DEBBI SCHWARTZ). IN THE PRIVATE SESSION IN THE MORNING THERE WERE NO CHALLENGES FROM THE EASTERN BLOC AND ARAB STATES TO ANY ORGANIZATIONS IN CATEGORY I. THE US AND UK INDICATED THEY MIGHT HAVE QUESTIONS ON THREE ORGANIZATIONS ALL OF WHICH ARE EASTERN BLOC DOMINATED GROUPS. THE PUBLIC SESSION THURSDAY BEGAN WITH GENERAL STATEMENTS BY SEVERAL DELEGATIONS. IRAQ AND TUNISIA BOTH STATED THEIR BELIEF THAT SOME NEGOS WERE VIOLATING RULES OF ECOSOC AND ABUSING THEIR STATUS. THEY BOTH STATED THAT THEY HAVE RESERVATIONS ON ALL ORGANIZATIONS WHICH HAVE EXPRESSED THEIR OBJECTIONS TO RESOLUTION 3379 (EQUATING ZIONISM WITH RACISM) AND THEY EXPECTED THE COMMITTEE TO TAKE PROPER MEASURES. IN PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS DELEGATES OF TUNISIA AND IRAQ ASSURED US THAT THEY HAVE NO INTENTION OF SEEKING SUSPENSION OF ZIONIST ORGANIZATIONS AND THEY WILL GO NO FURTHER THAN MAKING STRONG STATEMENTS FOR THE RECORD. WE WILL BE IN A BETTER POSITION TO JUDGE THEIR INTENTIONS WHEN THE REVIEW GETS FURTHER UNDERWAY ON MONDAY. THE USSR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OPENED WITH A LENGTHY INTRODUCTION ACKNOWLEDGING THE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION BEING MADE BY NEGOS AND THEN LAUNCHED INTO AN ATTACK ON AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL, INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE ANTI-SLAVERY SOCIETY. THE USSR CLAIMED THAT THE LEAGUE SPECIALIZES IN MALEVOLENT CAMPAIGNS AGAINST UN MEMBERS WITH GOAL TOWARD DEFAMING THOSE COUNTRIES. THEY ACCUSED AMNESTY OF SPREADING CALUMNIOUS LIES AND BOURGEOIS PROPAGANDA. THEY ALSO NOTED THAT CERTAIN ORGANIZATIONS ENGAGED IN OVERT SABOTAGE AS ALREADY POINTED OUT. USSR CONCLUDED THAT THE COMMITTEE SHOULD EXAMINE THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE ACTIVITIES OF THESE ORGANIZATIONS ARE COMPATIBLE WITH THE GOALS OF THE CHARTER AND RESOLUTION 1296. THE CHILEAN DELEGATE MADE A CONSTRUCTIVE STATEMENT NOTING THAT BOTH ECOSOC AND THE WORLD HAVE BENEFITTED FROM NGO WORK BUT STATING RESERVATIONS ON SOME SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES OF NGO'S. THE CHILEANS SUGGESTED SPECIFICALLY THAT THE COMMITTEE MIGHT RECOMMEND TO ECOSOC THAT NGO'S SHOULD BE REQUIRED TO INFORM THE SECRETARIAT IN ADVANCE OF THE NAMES OF PERSONS WHO WILL BE ACCREDITED TO SPEAK IN THEIR BEHALF AT SPECIFIC SESSIONS AND THE NUMBER OF THOSE ACCREDITED SHOULD BE LIMITED. THE CHILEAN DELEGATE ALSO SUGGESTED THAT PERSONS WHO ARE CITIZENS OF A COUNTRY SHOULD NOT SPEAK ABOUT THAT COUNTRY BECAUSE THEIR OBJECTIVITY IS SUBJECT TO QUESTION. THE US, SWEDEN, UK, AND FRANCE AND THE

OBSERVER OF CANADA MADE STATEMENTS SUPPORTING NGO'S.
THE OBSERVER DELEGATE OF ARGENTINA MADE NO INTERVENTION. THE
COMMITTEE THEN PROCEEDED WITH THE EXAMINATION OF
ORGANIZATIONS WHICH HAD BEEN REVIEWED IN PRIVATE AT THE
MORNING SESSION. AGAIN, NO CHALLENGES WERE MADE BY THE
EASTERN BLOC OR ARAB STATES TO ANY ORGANIZATION IN
CATEGORY I AND WE CAN ASSUME THAT THEY WILL ALL BE APP-
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10. IN SPITE OF A CERTIFIED BLIZZARD THE COMMITTEE
SESSION FRIDAY MONRING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY THE HARDY
SWEDISH CHAIRMAN AND THE COMMITTEE PROCEEDED TO CONSIDER
ORGANIZATIONS IN CATEGORY II. IN VIEW OF THE ABSENCE OF
THE ARAB STATES THERE WERE NO CHALLENGES TO ZIONIST OR
JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS. THE USSR MAINTAINED TOTAL SILENCE
AND PASSED UP AN OPPORTUNITY TO CHALLENGE AMNESTY
INTERNATIONAL, THE ANTI-SLAVERY SOCIETY, AND THE INTER-
NATIONAL COMMISSION OF JURISTS. THE SOVIET DELEGATE
WAS HEARD TO REMARK LOUDLY THAT THE DELEGATE OF IRAQ
WAS SUPPOSED TO CHALLENGE THESE ORGANIZATIONS AND
HE WAS VISIBLY PUT OUT AT HAVING HIS SCENARIO UPSET.
AS NO SPEAKERS WERE WILLING TO TAKE THE FLOOR, THE
MEETING ADJOURNED WITH NO RESULTS. THE COMMITTEE
WILL RESUME WORK ON MONDAY WITH ORGANIZATIONS IN CATEGORY II.
AT THAT TIME WE EXPECT A MORE ACTIVE SESSION.

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